

Exhortations Toward Spiritual Excellence
1 Thessalonians 4:1-12
Part 4

III. Be an honorable witness to Christ's salvation vs. 9-12

Col. 4:5; Romans 12:17; 13:10-14; Eph. 4:28

Titus 2:7-10; 3:8, 14; Phil. 2:14-15

1 Peter 2:11-12; 3:16-17; Matt. 5:14-16

Phil. 2:14-15—Do all things without grumbling or disputing; so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world.

a) By loving each other vs. 9-10

John 13:34-35; 14:26; 16:13; Eph. 5:1-2

1 Peter 1:22; 3:8; 4:8-11; Heb. 13:1

1 John 3:11, 14-19; 4:7-16; Phil. 1:9-11

1 Thess. 5:12-15; 2 Peter 1:3-10; Romans 12:9-21

John 13:34-35—A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.

B) Make it your ambition vs. 11

Romans 15:20; 2 Cor. 5:9

1) To lead a quiet life

Proverbs 17:1; Luke 23:56; Judges 3:30

Acts 11:18; 1 Tim. 2:1-6; Jeremiah 29:5-7

2) To attend to your own business

1 Peter 4:15; 2 Thess. 3:11; 1 Tim. 5:13

Titus 2:4-10; Romans 12:4-8

3) To work with your hands

2 Thess. 3:7-12; 1 Cor. 4:12; Acts 20:35

Titus 3:14; Col. 3:22-24

Conclusion vs. 12

1 Peter 3:4; Romans 7:22; Eph. 3:16

2 Cor. 4:16; Col. 3:10

